

Small Business/Community Assistance Program (SB/CAP)

UNDERSTANDING MS4 PERMITS & TMDLS



Mission

To provide environmental
regulatory assistance and
information to small businesses and
small communities

Small Business

- **Definition of a Small Business**

- A business that has 100 or fewer employees
- Independently owned, not dominant in their field, and
- Not a major stationary source of pollutants for any media

Note: Businesses that do not meet these requirements will be assisted at the discretion of DEQ and the SB/CAP

Technical Assistance Activities

- Conduct compliance consultations
- Determine regulatory applicability, and how regulations affect a business or community
- Prepare permit applications, reports, registrations, and other forms
- Develop pollution prevention plans
- Disseminate information through newsletters and mail-outs
- Give presentations for industry and civic groups

Disqualification for Assistance

- Criminal activity (intentional violators)
- Serious hazard to health or the environment present
- Repeat violators of regulations
- DEQ/EPA pending enforcement action
- The SB/CAP deems that their limited resources could be better utilized for other purposes.

Confidentiality Policy

- Because of Right-to-Know law, correspondence cannot be confidential.
- However, no information will be volunteered to the enforcement and surveillance sections.
 - Exception: Situations deemed hazardous to human health and the environment

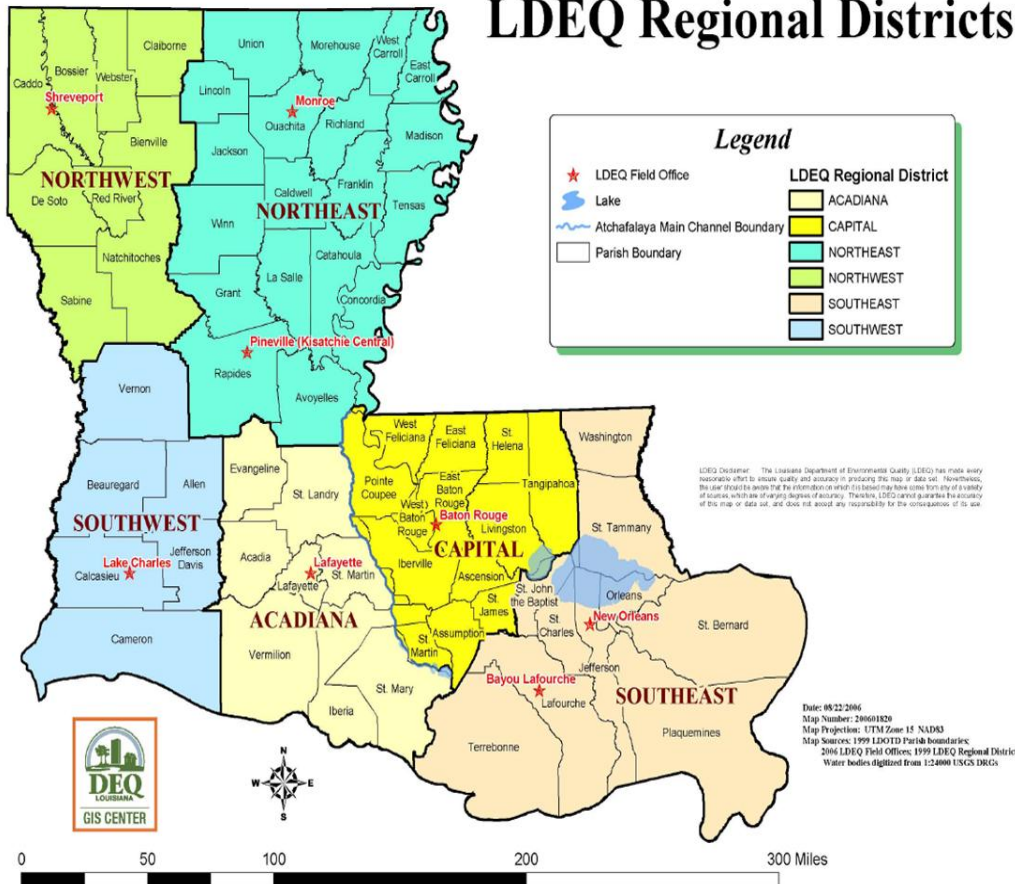
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- SB/CAP provides services courtesy of DEQ, and claims no responsibility for omissions or inaccuracies in values or information presented to DEQ by facilities seeking compliance with environmental regulations.
- DEQ alone determines when compliance is achieved, and facilities are ultimately responsible for satisfying all DEQ requirements.

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The Best Part About the SB/CAP

- FREE!
- REGIONAL!
- MULTI-MEDIA!
- NON-ENFORCEMENT!